IN THE CLAIMS

(previously presented) A three-dimensional image-capturing apparatus comprising:
a single solid-state image-sensing device having a plurality of image capturing regions;
and

a plurality of optical systems for forming images of a subject in the image-capturing regions, each one of the optical systems corresponding to a different one of the image-capturing regions, the optical systems including a plurality of reflection means for reflecting rays from said subject a number of times, and at least a lens provided to be closer to said single solid-state image-sensing device than the closest reflection means to said subject among the reflection means;

wherein the reflection means and the lenses of the optical systems are used to form, in the corresponding image-capturing regions, separate images of said subject which are captured from different viewpoints having a distance therebetween.

2. (previously presented) A three-dimensional image-capturing apparatus comprising: a single solid-state image-sensing device;

a plurality of imaging-side reflection means having reflectors provided to be obliquely outward, each one of the imaging-side reflection means corresponding to one of a plurality of different portions of an image-capturing region of said single solid-state image-sensing device;

a plurality of subject-side reflection means having reflectors provided outer from the imaging side reflection means so as to be oblique with respect to a subject, each one of the subject-side reflection means corresponding to a different one of the imaging-side reflection means, the subject-side reflection means reflecting rays from said subject to the corresponding imaging-side reflection means;

a plurality of lenses or lens units provided to be closer to said single solid-state imagesensing device than the subject-side reflection means in optical paths formed from said subject to the different portions of the image-capturing region so that rays from said subject to the different portions of the image-capturing region are reflected by the imaging-side reflection means through the lenses or lens units, each one of the lenses or lens units corresponding to a different one of the different portions of the image-capturing region, the lenses or lens units forming a plurality of images of said subject which have parallax; and

a plurality of diaphragms, each one of the diaphragms corresponding to a different one of the lenses or lens units, in which when each optical path has a lens, the diaphragms are provided to be closer to said subject than the corresponding lens and in which when each optical path has a lens unit, the diaphragms are provided to be closer to said subject than a lens of the corresponding lens unit.

3. (previously presented) A three-dimensional image-capturing apparatus according to Claim 1, further comprising a light-shielding means provided at least between the single solid-state image-sensing device and the reflection means so as to separate the optical systems for forming images of said object.

- 4. (previously presented) A three-dimensional image-capturing apparatus according to Claim 1, further comprising light-limiting means provided to be closer to said subject than the reflection means for the (2n-1)-th reflection (where n represents a positive integer) from said single solid-state image-sensing device along the optical systems, wherein the light-limiting means prevent incidence of flux of ambient light outer from rays forming each image of said subject.
- 5. (previously presented) A three-dimensional image-capturing apparatus according to Claim 1, further comprising a signal processing means for dividing a video signal from said single solid-state image-sensing device into video signals representing the images of said subject captured in the image-capturing regions for capturing images of said subject from the different viewpoints.
- 6. (original) A three-dimensional image-capturing apparatus according to Claim 1, wherein parallax which is the distance between the viewpoints is one centimeter or greater.
- 7. (previously presented) A stereo-camera recording/reproducing systems comprising: a three-dimensional image-capturing apparatus comprising a single solid-state image-sensing device having a plurality of image-capturing regions and a plurality of optical systems, each one of the optical systems for forming an image of a subject in a different corresponding one of the image-capturing regions;

a timing generator for driving said three-dimensional image-capturing apparatus so as to output the images formed in the image-capturing regions in the form of a single video signal;

a driver;

a camera signal processor for implementing camera signal processing on the single video signal;

a signal recorder for recording, on a single recording medium, the processed video signal output from said camera signal processor;

a single reproducer for reproducing the video signal recorded on the recording medium;

a video separating circuit for separating the reproduced video signal from the reproducer into signals corresponding to the image-capturing regions; and

display apparatus for displaying the signals corresponding to the image-capturing regions, which are output from said video separating circuit;



wherein the optical systems include a plurality of reflection means for reflecting rays from said subject a number of times and at least a lens provided to be closer to said single solid-state image-sensing device than the reflection means closest to said subject, each one of the reflection means corresponding to a different one of the image-capturing regions, and

wherein the reflection means and the lenses are used to form, in the corresponding imagecapturing regions, separate images of said subject which are captured from different viewpoints having a distance therebetween.